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Official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

09:00 — 17th plenary meeting — General Assembly Hall

[webcast]

1. Address by His Excellency Bujar Nishani, President of the Republic of Albania
2. Address by His Excellency Alpha Condé, President of the Republic of Guinea
3. Address by His Excellency Mahamadou Issoufou, President of the Republic of Niger
4. Address by His Excellency Faustin Archange Touadera, President of the Central African Republic
5. Address by His Excellency Azali Assoumani, President of the Union of the Comoros
6. Address by His Excellency Abdrabuh Mansour Hadi Mansour, President of the Republic of Yemen
7. Address by His Excellency Jocelerme Privert, Acting President of the Republic of Haiti

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Security Council

10:00 — 7776th meeting — Security Council Chamber

[webcast]

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Maintenance of international peace and security

   Nuclear non-proliferation and nuclear disarmament

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General Assembly
Seventy-first session

8. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

Address by His Excellency Xavier Bettel, Prime Minister of the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg

Address by His Excellency Pavel Filip, Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova

Address by His Excellency Tuilaepa Sailele Malielegaoi, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade of the Independent State of Samoa

Address by His Excellency Charles Michel, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Belgium

Address by His Excellency Sir Anerood Jugnauth, Prime Minister, Minister of Defence and Home Affairs, Minister of Rodrigues and National Development Unit of the Republic of Mauritius

Russian Federation

Armenia

Germany

Democratic People's Republic of Korea

Hungary

Sweden

15:00 18th and 19th plenary meetings [webcast] General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Ibrahim Boubacar Keita, President of the Republic of Mali
2. Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

Address by His Excellency Mokgweetsi Eric Keabetswe Masisi, Vice-President of the Republic of Botswana

Address by His Excellency Muhammad Jusuf Kalla, Vice-President of the Republic of Indonesia

Address by His Excellency Taban Deng Gai, Vice-President of the Republic of South Sudan

Address by His Excellency Moises Omar Hallesleven Acevedo, Vice-President of the Republic of Nicaragua

Address by His Excellency Thongloun Sisoulith, Prime Minister of the Lao People's Democratic Republic

Address by His Excellency Andrew Holness, Prime Minister of Jamaica

Address by His Excellency Manasseh Sogavare, Prime Minister of Solomon Islands

Address by His Excellency Pakalitha Bethuel Mosisili, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Lesotho

Address by His Excellency Antoni Martí Petit, Head of Government of the Principality of Andorra

Address by His Excellency Charlot Salwai Tabimasmas, Prime Minister of the Republic of Vanuatu

Address by His Excellency Ralph Gonsalves, Prime Minister of Saint Vincent and the Grenadines

Address by His Excellency Enele Sosene Sopoaga, Prime Minister of Tuvalu

Address by His Excellency Patrice Emery Trovoada, Prime Minister of the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe

Address by Her Excellency Delcy Eloina Rodríguez Gómez, Political Vice-President and Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela

Uzbekistan

Ecuador

Azerbaijan

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Morocco

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10

1. Proposal for the seismic mitigation retrofit and life-cycle replacements project at the Economic and Social Commission for Asia and the Pacific premises in Bangkok
2. Executive meeting

Security Council

Military Staff Committee

11:00 to 13:00	1860th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

Threat assessment in peacekeeping operations

[redacted]

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High-level event entitled "Regionalism and the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development" (organized by the Regional Commissions New York Office (RCNYO))

08:30 to 10:00 [webcast] Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact RCNYO (Ms. Maria Dada (e-mail dadam@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-6759); or Mr. Ansley Lancourt (e-mail lancourt@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8518)); to register, please *click here*.

High-level event entitled "Revitalizing and Consolidating Efforts Towards the Implementation of Water-Related Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Tajikistan and Thailand and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), in collaboration with the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA))

08:30 to 10:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Jonibek Hikmatov, Permanent Mission of Tajikistan (e-mail jonibek.hikmatov@mfa.tj); or Ms. Karllen Lawrence, UNDP (e-mail karllen.lawrence@undp.org).

Event on the "Foundation of the Women, Peace, and Security National Focal Points Network" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Spain, in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Canada, Chile, Japan, Namibia and the United Arab Emirates)

09:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 4

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Raquel Villodres Toledo, Permanent Mission of Spain (e-mail raquel.villodres@maec.es; tel. 1 (212) 294-2565).

Event on "Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) Coming to Life: Envisioning a common and resilient future" (organized by the United Nations Development Group (UNDG))

09:30 to 11:00 [webcast] Conference Room 2

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Sallem Berhane, UNDG (e-mail sallem.berhane@undp.org; tel. 1 (212) 906-6480); to register, please *click here*.

Group of 77 (Fortieth Annual Meeting of Ministers for Foreign Affairs) [webcast]

10:00 to 13:00	Closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
15:00 to 18:00	Closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Meeting of the Like-Minded Group of Countries Supporters of Middle-Income Countries (at the ministerial level) (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Belarus and Costa Rica)

10:00 to 12:00 [webcast] Conference Room 5

Members of the Group are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. William Calvo, Permanent Mission of Costa Rica (e-mail wcalvo@missioncrun.org).

Briefings by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs

High-level meeting on the humanitarian crisis in the Lake Chad Basin: A turning point?

11:15 to 13:00 [webcast] Conference Room 3

High-level meeting on responding to the impacts of El Niño and mitigating recurring climate risks

17:00 [webcast] Conference Room 3

All are invited. For further information, please contact OCHA (Ms. Margarette Pradel (e-mail pradel@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2217); or Ms. Miriam Danar (e-mail danar@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2259)).

Event entitled "Harnessing the demographic dividend in the Democratic Republic of the Congo: A key pathway to achieve the 2030 Agenda for sustainable development in inclusive and equitable way" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Democratic Republic of the Congo, the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA) and the Pan African Youth Union)

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room B

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Permanent Mission of the Democratic Republic of the Congo (Mr. Paul Empole (e-mail paulempole@gmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 506-5493)); or UNFPA (Mr. Niyi Ojuolape (e-mail ojuolape@unfpa.org; tel. 1 (347) 363-8256)).

Event entitled "Transforming our world and leaving no one behind: the power of Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) to achieve prosperity for all" (co-organized by the Permanent Mission of the Philippines, the International Development Law Organization (IDLO), Diplomatic Courier and the Global Action Platform (GAP))

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 12

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Federica Scala, IDLO (e-mail fscala@idlo.int; tel. 1 (646) 561-4380); or *click here*.

High-level event entitled "Education for people and planet: Creating sustainable futures for all" (organized by the Permanent Mission of France, in collaboration with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO) and the Global Education Monitoring Report)

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 6

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Branwen Millar, UNESCO (e-mail b.millar@unesco.org).

High-level event entitled "Leaving No One Behind: Agents of Change for Achieving Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 5 and the 2030 Agenda" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Canada, Denmark and the People's Republic of Bangladesh, the United States Mission, the Commonwealth, the International Organization of La Francophonie, Plan International, Together for Girls, the Working Group on Girls and the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women))

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 2

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Erin Quibell, Permanent Mission of Canada (e-mail erin.quibell@international.gc.ca); to register, please *click here*.

High-level event entitled "Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 16: One Year On" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of the Czech Republic, Denmark, Guatemala, the Republic of Korea, Sierra Leone, Sweden and Tunisia, members of the 16+ Forum, and the World Federation of United Nations Associations (WFUNA))

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact the WFUNA (e-mail 16plusforum@wfuna.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5610); or Ms. Sophie Varenne (e-mail varenne@wfuna.org).

Panel discussion on "Criminalizing the illegal use of force: Activating the jurisdiction of the International Criminal Court over the crime of aggression in 2017" (at the ministerial level) (organized by the Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein)

13:15 to 14:30 [webcast] Conference Room 4

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Jörn Eiermann, Permanent Mission of Liechtenstein (e-mail je@nyc.llv.li).

High-level event on "Bearing Witness: Combating Human Trafficking and Forced Migration" (co-organized by the Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect, the World Council of Churches and the KAICIID Dialogue Centre, in collaboration with the Permanent Missions of Italy and Spain, the Institute for Strategic Studies and Democracy of Malta and the International Partnership on Religion and Sustainable Development)

15:00 [webcast] Trusteeship Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Simona Cruciani, Office on Genocide Prevention and the Responsibility to Protect (e-mail cruciani@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5430); to register, please *click here*.

High-level event on "Open Perspectives in Closed Spaces: A Dialogue on the Political Realities of Closing Space and Innovations in Civic Activism" (co-organized by the United States Mission and the Civil Society Innovation Initiative)

15:00 to 17:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Sevasti Pandermarakis, United States Mission (e-mail pandermarakiss@state.gov); or Mr. Gerardo Torres (e-mail gtorres@counterpart.org).

Meeting of the Group of Friends of United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (at the ministerial level) (organized by the United Nations Alliance of Civilizations (UNAOC))

15:00 to 18:00 [webcast] Conference Room 4

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Mehrangez Rafieva, UNAOC (e-mail mehrangezr@unops.org; tel. 1 (929) 274-6217).

High-level event on "The Secretary-General's Climate Resilience Initiative – Anticipate, Absorb, Reshape (A2R): Delivering on the Paris Agenda and Launch of the A2R Leadership Group" (co-organized by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the Food and Agricultural Organization (FAO) and the Climate Change Support Team (CCST) of the Executive Office of the Secretary-General)

15:30 to 16:00 [webcast] Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Farrukh Khan, Executive Office of the Secretary General (e-mail farrukh.khan@un.org); or Mr. Tobias Cabani, UNEP New York Office (e-mail cabani@un.org).

High-level event on "Convergence of threats: the rise of environmental crime and implications for peace, security and sustainable development" (co-organized by the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) and the International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL))

17:00 to 18:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Tobias Cabani, United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) New York Office (e-mail cabani@un.org).

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Press Briefing Room (S-0237) [webcast]

For the complete list of press conferences, please click on the link *www.un.org/sg/spokesperson/confschedule.asp*.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Seventy-first session

Saturday, 24 September 2016

09:00 **20th plenary meeting** **General Assembly Hall**

Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

Address by His Excellency Rui Maria de Araújo, Prime Minister of the Democratic Republic of Timor-Leste

Address by His Excellency Allen Michael Chastanet, Prime Minister and Minister for Finance, Economic Growth, Job Creation, External Affairs and the Public Service of Saint Lucia

Address by His Excellency Roosevelth Skerrit, Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Public Service of the Commonwealth of Dominica

Address by His Excellency Gaston Alphonso Browne, Prime Minister and Minister for Finance and Corporate Governance of Antigua and Barbuda

Address by His Excellency Timothy Harris, Prime Minister, Minister for Sustainable Development, National Security, People Empowerment and Constituency Empowerment of Saint Kitts and Nevis

Address by His Excellency Samiuela 'Akilisi Pohiva, Prime Minister, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade, Minister for Education and Training of the Kingdom of Tonga

Address by His Excellency Barnabas Sibusiso Dlamini, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Swaziland

Viet Nam

Syrian Arab Republic

Malaysia

San Marino

Ireland

Iceland

Tajikistan

Nepal

Congo

Kyrgyzstan

Gabon

15:00 — 21st and 22nd plenary meetings — General Assembly Hall

Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

Philippines

United Arab Emirates

Sudan

Liechtenstein

Cambodia

Djibouti

Barbados

Burundi

Somalia

Maldives

Bhutan

Grenada

Mauritania

Informal consultations on agenda item 73 (a) (Oceans and the law of the sea)

Monday, 26 to Friday, 30 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 6

15:00 to 18:00 — Closed meeting — Conference Room 6

Main Committees

First Committee

Friday, 30 September 2016

10:00 **Conference Room 4**

Organizational meeting to consider its provisional programme of work and timetable (A/C.1/71/CRP.1) and indicative timetable for thematic discussions (to be issued as document A/C.1/71/CRP.2)

A list of documents of the Committee is contained in document A/C.1/71/INF/1.

Monday, 3, to Tuesday, 11, and Wednesday, 12 October 2016

10:00 **Conference Room 4**

General debate on all disarmament and international security agenda items and to hear statements by civil society

The Committee will then hold thematic discussions on specific subjects and the introduction and consideration of all draft resolutions submitted under agenda items from Thursday, 13 October tentatively, to Wednesday, 26 October 2016 (afternoon). Action on all draft resolutions and decisions submitted under agenda items will be from Thursday, 27 October (afternoon) to Thursday, 3 November 2016.

The *list of speakers* for the general debate *is open until Tuesday, 4 October 2016*, at 18:00. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are requested to kindly contact Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail 1stcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058).

Delegations are reminded that, during the general debate, a time limit should be observed of *8/10 minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *13/15 minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations.

The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of *this time limit*. Methods of work of the Committee, including speaking times, are being actively considered by the First Committee.

The list of speakers for the thematic discussions *will open* on Thursday, 6 October and *close* on Monday, 17 October 2016, at 18:00.

The time limit for the thematic discussions is *five minutes* for delegations speaking in their national capacity, and *seven minutes* for those speaking on behalf of several delegations. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of this time limit.

Delegations are reminded that the *names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers* should be forwarded to Ms. Sonia Elliott, Secretary of the First Committee (c/o Mr. Gerard Cianciulli (e-mail 1stcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-9277; Room S-3058). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales, or form A/INF/71/2, will be accepted by e-mail. Delegations wishing to reserve *conference rooms* for consultations during the session should contact Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail 1stcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378; Room S-3057).

***Background information* on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers on the First Committee QuickFirst Web site (*click here*). For inquiries regarding access to QuickFirst, kindly contact Mr. Victor Leu (e-mail 1stcommittee@un.org). An archived video of a 12-minute technical briefing on**

QuickFirst, is available by *clicking here*, from 41 minutes 10 seconds to 52 minutes 36 seconds.

With respect to the process for consideration of possible programme budget implications (PBIs) of draft resolutions and decisions, delegations are reminded that they should allow sufficient time for the preparation of the estimate of expenditures by the Secretariat. Further details on the regulatory framework, process and practice for PBIs are available by *clicking here*.

Delegates are reminded that *PaperSmart* services are offered as an additional service for the seventy-first session of the First Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement to papersmart1@un.org at *least one hour in advance* of delivery.

The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the First Committee PaperSmart portal only when read out by the delegation.

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee)

Thursday, 29 September 2016

10:00 to 11:00 1st meeting Conference Room 4

The proposed programme of work and timetable of the Committee is contained in document A/C.4/71/L.1.

Monday, 3 October 2016

15:00 Conference Room 4

Consideration of the cluster of items on decolonization

The *list of speakers* for the general discussion on all items of the Fourth Committee *is now open*. Delegations wishing to be inscribed are kindly requested to send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org.

Delegations are encouraged to observe the time limits of *10 minutes* for statements by individual Member States and *15 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States. The list of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits. Requests of petitioners to address the Committee under item 58 of the agenda of the seventy-first regular session of the General Assembly (Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples), should be sent to the Chair of the Committee (c/o 4thcommittee@un.org), by *close of business today*, 23 September 2016.

Delegations are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart4@un.org.

The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the

Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) PaperSmart portal only after delivery by delegations.

Delegations are reminded that the *names of their representatives, alternates and advisers* to the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) *should be submitted, as soon as possible*, to Ms. Christa Giles, Secretary of the Committee (e-mail 4thcommittee@un.org; Room S-3066). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/71/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Background information on the Committee is available and accessible to Member States and permanent observers by *clicking here*.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords, kindly send an e-mail to 4thcommittee@un.org. Representatives of Member States wishing to be included in the Fourth Committee mailing list are requested to send an e-mail from an official Permanent Mission e-mail address to 4thcommittee@un.org indicating name, delegation and e-mail address.

Second Committee

Wednesday, 28 September 2016

10:00 Conference Room 2

Organizational meeting for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The Committee will consider its proposed organization of work (A/C.2/71/L.1), the status of documentation (A/C.2/71/L.1/Add.1), and to discuss the conduct of work of the Committee for the session.

Monday, 3 October 2016

10:00 Conference Room 2

The Second Committee will begin its substantive work for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly. The session will open with a keynote address by Ms. Dambisa Moyo, global economist and author, followed by the opening of the general debate.

The *lists of speakers for the general debate* (Monday, 3, to Wednesday, 5 October 2016) *is open*. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list should contact, in writing, the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Mary Constable (e-mail constablem@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-7855)). In accordance with established practice of the Committee, the *time limits of seven minutes* for individual Member States and *10 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States *during the general debate* will be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

The *lists of speakers for the general discussion of individual agenda items* of the Second Committee *is open*. Delegations are reminded that requests for inscription from permanent missions and observer States should be submitted by their respective focal points through the e-Speakers system (*click here*).

An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of the request for inscription. In accordance with established practice of the Committee, the *time limits of five minutes* for individual Member States and *seven minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the *general discussion of individual agenda items* will be observed. The lists of speakers will be prepared on the basis of these time limits.

Intergovernmental organizations and entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, as well as the United Nations system, funds and programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe on the lists of speakers for the general discussion of individual agenda items of the Committee should contact, in writing, the Secretary of the Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Ms. Cassandra Price Taveras (e-mail pricec@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-7855)).

PaperSmart services will be available to the Second Committee at the seventy-first session of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through PaperSmart should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of delivery to papersmart2@un.org. The date of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. Statements will be made available on the Second Committee PaperSmart portal (*click here*) only after delivery by delegations.

For inclusion in the *list of participants* for the session, delegations are requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers to the Secretary of the Second Committee, Ms. Emer Herity (c/o Mr. Jose Rene Tanoy (e-mail tanoy@un.org; Room S-1291; fax 1 (212) 963-7855)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/71/2 will be accepted by e-mail.

Further information on the work of the Second Committee and related documentation is available on the website of the Committee (*click here*).

To renew access to the Second Committee QuickPlace and be included in the mailing list of the Committee for the seventy-first session, Member States are invited to send an e-mail to 2ndcommittee@un.org from an official Mission e-mail address. A registration form will be provided for delegations to fill out and submit by return e-mail.

Third Committee

Tuesday, 4 October 2016

10:00 Conference Room 1

The Committee will begin its substantive work for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly.

Requests *for inscription* from permanent missions and observer States for the general discussion on agenda items allocated to the Third Committee should be sent through the e-Speakers system *(click here)*. An automated e-mail acknowledgement will be sent within one hour of receipt of request for inscription. Intergovernmental organizations, entities that have observer status with the General Assembly, United Nations system, including funds, programmes, specialized agencies and regional commissions wishing to inscribe with the *list of speakers* are kindly requested to contact, *in writing*, Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail slthirdcommittee@un.org). In accordance with established practice of the Committee, the time limits of *five minutes* for individual Member States

and *12 minutes* for delegations speaking on behalf of a group of States during the general discussion of individual agenda items will be observed.

Delegations are reminded that the names of representatives, alternate representatives and advisers should be submitted, *as soon as possible*, to the Secretary of the Committee, Mr. Moncef Khane (c/o Ms. Isabel Alejandrino (e-mail lpthirdcommittee@un.org; Room S-1286)). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/71/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Background information on the work of the Third Committee, including the provisional programme of work for the seventy-first session, is available by *clicking here*.

Requests for *room reservations* for informal consultations on draft proposals should be sent to Ms. Catalina de Leon (e-mail leonc@un.org).

Delegations are reminded that dissemination of their statements via *PaperSmart* is available. Delegations wishing to circulate statements electronically should e-mail the statement(s) at least one hour in advance of expected delivery to papersmart3@un.org. The agenda item under which the statement is to be delivered, as well as the date of the meeting should be clearly indicated on the first page of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail.

All delegations that have not yet done so are kindly requested to transmit to the Secretariat of the Third Committee, the completed *form listing* the diplomats of their mission wishing to use the eSponsorship platform and QuickPlace. The *form* should be e-mailed to thirdcommittee@un.org.

For inquiries regarding user names and passwords for Third Committee QuickPlace and the eSponsorship platform, please contact Mr. Paolo Dúa (e-mail thirdcommittee@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4882).

Fifth Committee

Thursday, 29 September 2016

10:00 **Conference Room 3**

The Fifth Committee is scheduled to hold its organizational meeting, to consider items allocated to the Fifth Committee by the General Assembly, issued as document A/C.5/71/1. The status of preparedness of documentation for the Fifth Committee during the seventy-first session of the General Assembly will be issued as document A/C.5/71/L.1.

Background information on the work of the Fifth Committee is available by *clicking here*.

Delegations that have not communicated *their composition* are kindly requested to submit, *as soon as possible*, the names of their representatives, alternate representatives and advisers, to the Secretary of the Fifth Committee, Ms. Sharon Van Buerle (e-mail fifthcommittee@un.org; Room S-3241; fax 1 (212) 963-0360).

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Sixth Committee

Monday, 3 October 2016

10:00 1st meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

The provisional programme of work of the Sixth Committee for the seventy-first session (General Assembly decision 70/527 of 14 December 2015), as well as background information on the Sixth Committee and links to official documentation to be considered at the seventy-first session, is available on the Committee's website (*click here*).

The list of speakers for all items on the agenda of the Sixth Committee is open. Delegations wishing to be inscribed on the list are kindly requested to contact the secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org (tel. 1 (212) 963-5331; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). *Please note* that in the first week, the Committee will deal with agenda item 108 (Measures to eliminate international terrorism), agenda item 84 (The rule of law at the national and international levels) and agenda item 75 (Criminal accountability of United Nations officials and experts on mission).

Delegations are invited to submit the names of their representatives, alternates and advisers to the Codification Division, Office of Legal Affairs, secretariat of the Sixth Committee (e-mail 6thcommittee@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-1963). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales or form A/INF/71/2 will be accepted by e-mail. Representatives of Member States and observer States are requested to register for access to the Unite Connections community of the Sixth Committee for the seventy-first session, through the online form, available on the website of the Sixth Committee.

Delegates are reminded that PaperSmart services are offered as an additional service for the seventy-first session of the Sixth Committee of the General Assembly. Delegations wishing to circulate their statements electronically through the PaperSmart portal should send a copy of the statement at least *one hour* in advance of the delivery to papersmart6@un.org. The number of the meeting and the agenda item should be indicated in the heading of the statement and in the subject line of the e-mail. The statement will appear on the Sixth Committee PaperSmart portal only when read out by the delegation.

Committee on Relations with the Host Country

Thursday, 29 September 2016

11:00 278th meeting (closed) Conference Room 8

Delegations of Member States and Observers that wish to attend as observers should indicate their desire to do so in advance to the Secretary of the Committee (Mr. Surya Sinha (e-mail sinha1@un.org; Room S-3632).

The meeting will *not be open* to members of the press or the public. Delegations are reminded that while any matter pertinent to the work of the Committee may be raised from the floor, they are encouraged, in accordance with the decision of the Committee adopted at its 164th meeting in March 1994, to request the formal inscription, at least *48 hours prior* to the meeting, of specific items they would like to raise, keeping in mind the detailed list of topics adopted by the Committee in 1982 (see document A/50/26, paragraph 5).

Delegations are further encouraged to submit to the Secretary of the Committee any relevant documentation or written statements in advance of the meeting.

Forthcoming other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are open unless otherwise indicated.

High-level panel discussion on "Regional Dimensions of Promoting Sustainable Development: Developing Complementarities between the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Community Vision 2025" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Thailand)

Saturday, 24 September 2016

09:00 to 10:30 Conference Room 7

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Mita Monzon, Permanent Mission of Thailand (e-mail mita.thaimission@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 754-2230, ext. 146).

Group of Least Developed Countries (annual ministerial meeting)

Saturday, 24 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 5

Small Island Developing States DOCK (SIDS DOCK) (second session)

Saturday, 24 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Economic and Social Council Chamber

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High-level event on "Food Security Solutions in the Sahel" (organized by the Permanent Mission of France, in collaboration with SOS Sahel)

Monday, 26 September 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 11

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Samantha Walsh, SOS Sahel (e-mail samantha@faircomny.com).

High-level event on "UN-SONG - Promoting Inclusion, Recognition and the Contribution of Persons of Afro Descent" (organized by UN-SONG, in collaboration with the United States Mission and the Permanent Missions of Brazil, Jamaica and Saint Vincent and the Grenadines)

Monday, 26 September 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Economic and Social Council Chamber

All are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Lanla Kamara-Joyner, UN-SONG (e-mail kamaral@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-6091, or 1 (646) 226-0417); to register, please *click here*.

International Criminal Court: Assembly of States Parties (Non-Cooperation Focal Points consultation on draft Toolkit)

Monday, 26 September 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 12

International Criminal Court: New York Working Group of the Assembly of States Parties (omnibus resolution)

Friday, 30 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

Panel discussion on "Fighting corruption to achieve the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Liechtenstein and the Republic of Moldova, and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP))

Monday, 26 September 2016

13:15 to 14:30 Conference Room 5

All are invited. For further information and to register, please contact Mr. Steven Pallickal, UNDP (e-mail steven.pallickal@undp.org).

Eastern European Group (monthly meeting) (at the expert level)

Tuesday, 27 September 2016

10:00 to 12:30 Closed meeting Conference Room 8

High-level event on "Accelerating local climate and sustainability action" (co-organized by the Subnational Climate Action Hub (the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the United Nations Human Settlements Programme (UN-Habitat), the United Nations Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO), the World Health Organization (WHO) and the World Bank), the Global Taskforce of Local and Regional Governments and the United Nations Global Compact)

Tuesday, 27 September 2016

14:00 to 15:30 Conference Room 8

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Alexander Tadion, EOSG (e-mail tadion@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4892).

Event entitled "Implementing the Security Council resolution 1540 (S/RES/1540 (2004)) through Secure Trade and Investments: Promoting Economic Growth and Building Safe Societies to prevent violence and combat terrorism" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Panama and Spain and the Organization of American States (OAS))

Wednesday, 28 September 2016

11:00 to 13:00 Conference Room 8

All permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited. For further information, please contact Ms. Dania Cortez, Permanent Mission of Panama (e-mail emb@panama-un.org; tel. 1 (212) 421-5420).

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

Wednesday, 28 September 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Briefing series on the Quadrennial Comprehensive Policy Review of the General Assembly (co-organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Switzerland)

Wednesday, 28 September 2016

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room 11

For further information, please contact the UNITAR New York Office (e-mail nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196); or *click here*.

Briefing for delegates on the Work of the General Assembly and the Main Committees of the United Nations (organized by the United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR), in collaboration with the Permanent Mission of Italy)

Thursday, 29 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room E

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room E

Friday, 30 September 2016

10:00 to 13:00 Conference Room E

15:00 to 18:00 Conference Room E

All are invited. For further information, please contact Mr. Pelayo Alvarez, UNITAR New York Office (e-mails pelayo.alvarez@unitar.org; or nyo@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).

Meeting on "Contributing to a Global Compact on Migration: Actions to Address Trafficking in Persons" (co-organized by the Delegation of the European Union, and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC))

Thursday, 29 September 2016

10:00 to 12:00 Conference Room 12

All are invited. For more information and to register, please contact UNODC's New York Office (e-mail unodcny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5631).

Informal briefing on "United Nations support to Member States on the implementation of multilateral treaties at the national level" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Austria, Liechtenstein and Mexico, and the Rule of Law Unit, Executive Office of the Secretary-General, in collaboration with the United Nations Rule of Law Coordination and Resource Group)

Friday, 30 September 2016

11:30 to 13:00 Conference Room 2

All are invited. For further information, please contact the Rule of Law Unit in the Executive Office of the Secretary-General (Ms. Jane Anttila (e-mail anttila@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-4749); or Ms. Lilibeth Benitez (e-mail benitez@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2935)).

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

General Assembly

United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III)
Quito, Ecuador (17-20 October 2016)

The United Nations Conference on Housing and Sustainable Urban Development (Habitat III) will be held at the Casa de la Cultura Ecuatoriana Benjamín Carrión in Quito, Ecuador, from Monday, 17, to Thursday, 20 October 2016, pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 67/216 of 21 December 2012, 68/239 of 27 December 2013, 69/226 of 19 December 2014 and 70/210 of 22 December 2015. For further information, please *click here*.

The Conference will include *eight plenary meetings*, which will be held from 10:00 to 13:00 and from 15:00 to 18:00, on Monday, 17 October, to Thursday, 20 October 2016, in Agora Room.

The *list of speakers* for the plenary meetings, "General debate", is now open. All delegations (all States Members of the United Nations and members of specialized agencies and of the International Atomic Energy Agency, as well as the European Union, in its capacity as observer) wishing to inscribe are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat, in writing, by email (c/o Ms. Mary Muturi, e-mail muturi@un.org) indicating the name and title of the speaker. The list of speakers for the general debate will be established on a first-come, first-served basis, with the customary protocol that ensures that Heads of State or Government speak first, followed by other heads of delegation. Delegations are reminded that interventions in the plenary meetings *should be limited to five minutes*, on the understanding that this will not preclude the distribution of more extensive texts.

All delegations prior to delivery of the statement are kindly requested to email a copy of their statement to habitat3conference@un.org, as well as habitat3secretariat@un.org, indicating in the subject line, "Statement and Name of Country or Organization". Where possible, statements should be provided one day in advance of delivery or *at least three hours before* delivery of statement.

In addition to the representatives of States participating in the Conference and the representative of the European Union, representatives of the following organizations may, time permitting and without setting a precedent, make a statement during the general debate: (a) intergovernmental organizations and other entities that have received a standing invitation from the General Assembly to participate in the capacity of observer in the sessions and work of all international conferences convened under its auspices; (b) specialized agencies and related organizations; (c) other intergovernmental organizations; (d) interested United Nations organs; (e) associate members of regional commissions; (f) local authorities; and (g) non-governmental organizations. Representatives of intergovernmental organizations, entities, associate members of regional commissions, specialized agencies and related organizations and interested United Nations organs may contact the Secretariat, in writing, by email (c/o Ms. Mary Muturi, e-mail muturi@un.org) to be inscribed in the list of speakers.

Six high-level round-table sessions to be held concurrently with the plenary meetings, except during the opening and closing plenary meetings, as follows:

Monday, 17 October 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Leave no one behind: urban inclusion and prosperity";

Tuesday, 18 October 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Ecological, climate-resilient and disaster responsive cities;

Tuesday, 18 October 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Adequate and affordable housing";

Wednesday, 19 October 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Integrated strategic planning and management";

Wednesday, 19 October 2016, from 15:00 to 18:00, on the theme "Implementing the New Urban Agenda at all levels and with all actors"; and

Thursday, 20 October 2016, from 10:00 to 13:00, on the theme "Financing sustainable urban development"

The high-level round-table sessions will be interactive and multi-stakeholder in nature, and each will be open to participation by representatives of all participating States, up to 15 representatives of observers, relevant entities of the United Nations system and other accredited intergovernmental organizations, up to 6 representatives of local authorities and up to six representatives of major groups and other relevant stakeholders. There will be no prepared list of speakers. At the discretion of the Co-Chairs, priority in the order of speakers will be given to those speaking at the level of Head of State or Government or at the ministerial level, followed by high-level representatives of other stakeholders. The high-level round-table sessions will aim to achieve a balance between speakers from participating States and stakeholders. In order to provide for maximum participation, interventions should not exceed *three minutes*.

Representatives of States are invited to indicate to the Secretariat (Mr. Ziad Mahmassani (e-mail mahmassani@un.org), and Mr. Henry Breed (e-mail breed@un.org) if they will be represented in a high-level round table at the level of Head of State or Government or at ministerial level.

Concept notes on the high-level round tables will be made available on the Conference website (https://www.habitat3.org).

Delegations are reminded that in accordance with rule 3 of the of the provisional rules of procedure of the Conference, *credentials* of representatives and the names of alternate representatives and advisers should be addressed to the Secretary-General of

the United Nations and delivered to the Office of Legal Affairs, located on the 36th floor of the Secretariat Building (Room S-3639 or S-3608), if possible not less than one week before 17 October 2016. The credentials should be issued either by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs or, in the case of the European Union, by the President of the European Commission.

Participants are requested *to register* their participation through the Conference website before Saturday, 1 October 2016.

Participating States and intergovernmental organizations wishing to attend the Conference are kindly requested to communicate the *composition of their delegations* to the Secretariat in advance of the Conference (e-mail muturi@un.org, with copy to habitat3secretariat@un.org and habitat3conference@un.org). Please note that only scanned copies of notes verbales will be accepted by e-mail.

Announcements

Live coverage of the general debate of the General Assembly
(Tuesday, 20 to Monday, 26 September 2016)

Delegations are invited to send by e-mail an advance electronic copy of their statements, in one or more of the United Nations official languages, for timely and accurate posting of the text on the General Assembly Website. The statements should be sent to dpigaweb@un.org.

For updates and services related to the general debate website, please contact Mr. Robert Neshovski, Department of Public Information (DPI) (e-mail neshovski@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3251).

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training in English (unless otherwise indicated) for delegates and staff of permanent missions, at the Library Building, Room L-133 (First Floor), for the month of *October 2016*:

Introduction to United Nations documents (English, French, Spanish)

Security Council documentation

General Assembly documentation (English, French)

Treaty Research

Introduction to Library Services

Finding Speeches

Voting Information

All interested are kindly requested to register by accessing the Library Training Calendar (*click here*). For more information, please contact the Library (e-mail library-ny@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3000).

Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly

The press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available online in all six official languages. Produced by the Department of Public Information (DPI), in cooperation with the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM), the kit is paper-free.

Print-on-demand versions are available on the General Assembly website (*click here*).

***Repertoire* of the Practice of the Security Council**

The *Repertoire* is published by the Security Council Affairs Division, in the Department of Political Affairs. It is designed to assist government officials, practitioners of international law, academics and all those interested in the work of the United Nations to follow the evolving practice of the Council and gain a better understanding of the framework in which it operates.

The latest published volume (Sixteenth Supplement) covers the years 2008 to 2009. For copies, please contact Mr. Louis Giordano, Meetings Support Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-7288).

The Seventeenth Supplement (2010-2011), the Eighteenth Supplement (2012-2013) and Part I of the Nineteenth Supplement (2014-2015) are available in their advance versions on line by *clicking here*.

2017 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Africa: Deadline for applications Friday, 14 October 2016

The Regional Course for Africa will be held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, from Monday, 6 February to Friday, 3 March 2017. This course is open for candidates from Member States of the United Nations, which are also members of the regional group of African States. Applications for the 2017 United Nations Regional Course in International Law for Africa are now being accepted.

The *deadline* for applications is *Friday, 14 October 2016*. The Regional Course will be conducted in English in 2017.

For further information, including application forms, please consult the website of the Regional Courses (*click here*), or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-africa@un.org).

Report of the High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises

The report of the Secretary-General's High-level Panel on the Global Response to Health Crises has been issued in document A/70/723, in conjunction with the Secretary-General's report, contained in document A/70/824.

Calendar of conferences and meetings

The 2016 calendar of conferences and meetings is available and posted on the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) website, or can be consulted by *clicking here*.

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 21 September 2016

General Assembly

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[archived video]

13th plenary meeting

Address by His Excellency Toomas Hendrik Ilves, President of the Republic of Estonia

His Excellency Toomas Hendrik Ilves, President of the Republic of Estonia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Baron Divavesi Waqa, President of the Republic of Nauru

His Excellency Baron Divavesi Waqa, President of the Republic of Nauru, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Juan Orlando Hernández Alvarado, President of the Republic of Honduras

His Excellency Juan Orlando Hernández Alvarado, President of the Republic of Honduras, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

Statements were made by Her Excellency Isatou Njie Saidy, Vice-President and Minister for Women's Affairs of the Islamic Republic of the Gambia; His Excellency Hailemariam Dessalegn, Prime Minister of the Federal Democratic Republic of Ethiopia; His Excellency Dacian Julien Cioloş, Prime Minister of Romania; Her Excellency Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh; His Excellency Giorgi Kvirikashvili, Prime Minister of Georgia; His Excellency Malcolm Turnbull, Prime Minister of the Commonwealth of Australia; His Excellency Prayut Chan-o-cha, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Thailand; and His Excellency Sebastian Kurz, Federal Minister for Europe, Integration and Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Austria.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of India and Pakistan.

Thursday, 22 September 2016

Security Council

[archived video]

7775th meeting

Threats to international peace and security caused by terrorist acts

Aviation security

Letter dated 16 September 2016 from the Permanent Representative of New Zealand to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General (S/2016/791)

The meeting was presided over by His Excellency Murray McCully, Minister for Foreign Affairs of New Zealand, in his capacity as the President of the Security Council.

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President invited the representatives of Australia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Sweden, Switzerland and Turkey to participate in the meeting, in accordance with rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President invited Ms. Fang Liu, Secretary-General of the International Civil Aviation Organization, to participate in the meeting, in accordance with rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by Ms. Liu.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/2016/797, submitted by Angola, Australia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, the Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, the Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Poland, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Romania, Senegal, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the United States of America and Uruguay.

Before the vote, a statement was made by the representative of Egypt.

The Council proceeded to vote on the draft resolution (S/2016/797) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/2016/797) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions and was adopted unanimously as resolution 2309 (2016).

After the vote, statements were made by His Excellency Boris Johnson, Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland; His Excellency Jeh Johnson, Secretary of Homeland Security of the United States of America; Her Excellency Ségolène Royal, Minister of Environment, Energy and Marine Affairs of the French Republic; His Excellency Mankeur Ndiaye, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Senegalese abroad of the Republic of Senegal; His Excellency Dato' Seri Anifah Aman, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Malaysia; and His Excellency Pavlo Klimkin, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ukraine.

The President, His Excellency Murray McCully, made a statement in his capacity as the Minister for Foreign Affairs of New Zealand.

Statements were made by His Excellency Ignacio Ybáñez, Vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of Spain, and by the representatives of China, the Russian Federation, Japan, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Uruguay and Angola.

The representatives of Ukraine and the Russian Federation made further statements.

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[archived video]

14th plenary meeting

Address by His Excellency Paul Biya, President of the Republic of Cameroon

His Excellency Paul Biya, President of the Republic of Cameroon, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Nicos Anastasiades, President of the Republic of Cyprus

His Excellency Nicos Anastasiades, President of the Republic of Cyprus, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Ernest Bai Koroma, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone

His Excellency Ernest Bai Koroma, President of the Republic of Sierra Leone, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by Her Excellency Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of the Republic of Lithuania

Her Excellency Dalia Grybauskaitė, President of the Republic of Lithuania, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Salvador Sánchez Cerén, President of the Republic of El Salvador

His Excellency Salvador Sánchez Cerén, President of the Republic of El Salvador, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Hassan Rouhani, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran

His Excellency Hassan Rouhani, President of the Islamic Republic of Iran, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Hery Martial Rajaonarimampianina Rakotoarimanana, President of the Republic of Madagascar

His Excellency Hery Martial Rajaonarimampianina Rakotoarimanana, President of the Republic of Madagascar, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Taneti Maamau, President, Head of Government and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Immigration of the Republic of Kiribati

His Excellency Taneti Maamau, President, Head of Government and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Immigration of the Republic of Kiribati, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Patrice Athanase Guillaume Talon, President of the Republic of Benin

His Excellency Patrice Athanase Guillaume Talon, President of the Republic of Benin, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Alassane Ouattara, President of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire

His Excellency Alassane Ouattara, President of the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Mahmoud Abbas, President of the State of Palestine

His Excellency Mahmoud Abbas, President of the State of Palestine, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

Statements were made by Her Excellency Erna Solberg, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Norway; His Excellency Benjamin Netanyahu, Prime Minister of the State of Israel; His Excellency Serge Telle, Head of Government of the Principality of Monaco; His Excellency Tammam Salam, President of the Council of Ministers of the Lebanese Republic; His Excellency Haider Al Abadi, Prime Minister of the Republic of Iraq; His Excellency Albert Koenders, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Kingdom of the Netherlands; and His Eminence Cardinal Pietro Parolin, Secretary of State of the Holy See.

15th plenary meeting

Address by His Excellency Rosen Plevneliev, President of the Republic of Bulgaria

His Excellency Rosen Plevneliev, President of the Republic of Bulgaria, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda

His Excellency Paul Kagame, President of the Republic of Rwanda, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by Her Excellency Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, President of the Republic of Liberia

Her Excellency Ellen Johnson-Sirleaf, President of the Republic of Liberia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Roch Marc Christian Kaboré, President of Faso and President of the Council of Ministers of Burkina Faso

His Excellency Roch Marc Christian Kaboré, President of Faso and President of the Council of Ministers of Burkina Faso, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Gjorge Ivanov, President of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia

His Excellency Gjorge Ivanov, President of the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by Her Excellency Hilda Heine, President of the Republic of the Marshall Islands

Her Excellency Hilda Heine, President of the Republic of the Marshall Islands addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

His Excellency Manuel Domingos Vicente, Vice-President of the Republic of Angola, made a statement.

Address by His Excellency Jimmy Morales, President of the Republic of Guatemala

His Excellency Jimmy Morales, President of the Republic of Guatemala, addressed the General Assembly.

Address by His Excellency Faiez Mustafa Serraj, President of the Presidency Council of the Government of National Accord of Libya

His Excellency Faiez Mustafa Serraj, President of the Presidency Council of the Government of National Accord of Libya, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [item 8]

Statements were made by His Excellency Aleksandar Vučić, Prime Minister of the Republic of Serbia; and His Excellency Ramtane Lamamra, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria.

16th plenary meeting

The summary of the 16th plenary meeting of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2016/185).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

The dates indicated correspond to the dates of receipt of the relevant documents, except for the signatures.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Arms Trade Treaty. New York, 2 April 2013

Ratification: Madagascar (22 September 2016)

Paris Agreement. Paris, 12 December 2015

Signature: Nigeria (22 September 2016)

Signature: Sierra Leone (22 September 2016)

General information

Chairs of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *September 2016* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States
Angola
His Excellency Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins

Asia-Pacific States
Kazakhstan
His Excellency Kairat Abdrakhmanov

Eastern European States
Estonia
His Excellency Sven Jürgenson

Latin American and Caribbean States
Brazil
His Excellency Antonio de Aguiar Patriota

Western European and other States
Portugal
His Excellency Álvaro Mendonça e Moura

General Assembly
Seventy-first session

Seating protocol for the seventy-first session, took place on Monday, 13 June 2016; the Secretary-General drew, from among the Member States, the name of Bolivia (Plurinational State of) to occupy the first seat in the General Assembly Hall at the seventy-first session. Consequently, the delegation of the Plurinational State of Bolivia *will sit at the first desk* at the right of the President, and the other countries will follow in the *English alphabetical order*. The same order will be observed in the Main Committees.

For the *list of speakers*, delegations wishing to speak in the plenary meetings are kindly requested to inscribe with the list of speakers, General Assembly Affairs Branch (Ms. Antonina Poliakova (e-mail poliakova@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063) with copy to Ms. Meriem Heddache (e-mail heddachem@un.org)).

For the submission of a *draft resolution* for the plenary, please call 1 (212) 963-7784 (Room S-3044). Please *click here* for the guidelines for submission of draft resolutions in the General Assembly.

The agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/71/251 and the allocation of agenda items for the session is contained in document A/71/252.

The annotated preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly has been issued in document A/71/100 and the annotated draft agenda of the seventy-first session has been issued as document A/71/100/Add.1.

A draft programme of the work of the plenary for the seventy-first session is contained in document A/70/987.

The information note for delegations on arrangements for the high-level meetings and the general debate of the seventy-first session of the General Assembly was issued in document A/INF/71/4/Rev.1.

A note verbale from the Protocol and Liaison Service on protocol/accreditation arrangements has been sent to by e-mail and by facsimile directly to the permanent missions and is available by *clicking here*.

The Press kit for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly is available, please *click here*.

In the lead-up to the general debate and the high-level meetings, the following information documents have been issued:

Delegates' handbook; and

Information circular for the media.

For *protocol* information on accreditation and access arrangements for Member States, observers, intergovernmental organizations and the specialized agencies is contained in pages 13 to 15 of document A/INF/71/4/Rev.1.

All documents, forms and information material on the seventy-first session of the General Assembly issued by the Protocol and Liaison Service may be accessed at its website (www.un.int/protocol).

In accordance with Rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, *credentials* for the seventy-first session of the General Assembly must be addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Head of the State or Government or the Minister for Foreign Affairs.

In accordance with Rule 25 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly, credentials should designate not more than five representatives, five alternate representatives, and as many advisers, technical advisers, experts and persons of similar status as may be required by the delegation. With the exception of the Head of the State or Government, Crown Prince/Princess, Vice-President and Minister for Foreign Affairs who would be listed as head of delegation during his/her presence at the session, all other heads of delegations shall be counted as one of the five representatives. The original credentials should be delivered to Mr. Stadler Trengove (tel. 1 (212) 963-1107), Room S-3604; or Mr. Mateus Kowalski (tel. 1 (917) 367-5133), Room S-3633, Office of Legal Affairs, *not less than one week* before the opening of the session. A copy of the credentials should also be transmitted to the Protocol and Liaison Service (Room S-0201, fax 1 (212) 963-1921).

For *PaperSmart Services*, delegations are kindly requested to submit electronic versions of their statements for posting on the PaperSmart portal to papersmart@un.org. The title and the date of the meeting should be indicated in the subject line of the e-mail.

For *announcement for Member States on issuance of communications*, delegations requesting issuance of communications addressed to the Secretary-General as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the

Secretary-General and signed by the permanent representative or chargé d'affaires of the permanent mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the seventieth-first session of the General Assembly contained in document A/71/251.

Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org and to dpu-dgacm@un.org, to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only. Materials that are accessible to the public on websites or through the media, such as statements, press releases, social media and images, should be cited rather than included in the communications.

Candiweb – A website dedicated to elections and candidatures at United Nations Headquarters in New York, to access it, please *click here*.

General debate

The general debate began on Tuesday, 20 September 2016 (resolution 57/301).

Delegations are kindly reminded that, in accordance with existing practice at the general debate, a voluntary *15-minute* time limit should be observed and the list of speakers has been prepared on the basis of the agreed *15-minute* statement by each delegation. In order to assist the speakers with the timely delivery of their statements, a light mechanism will be installed at the rostrum. Delegations may wish to inform their capitals accordingly.

The theme "The Sustainable Development Goals: a universal push to transform our world" has been proposed for the general debate at the seventy-first session, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 58/126, Annex (A letter from the President of the General Assembly, dated 26 July 2016, was sent to all permanent representatives and permanent observers).

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High-level plenary meeting to commemorate and promote the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 70/34 of 7 December 2015, a high-level plenary meeting convened by the President of the General Assembly to commemorate and promote the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons will be held on Monday, 26 September 2016, in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, at 10:00.

The list of speakers *is open*. Delegations wishing to inscribe on the list of speakers are kindly requested to contact (Ms. Lidija Komatina (e-mail komatina@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2378). Statements *should not exceed four minutes*.

Delegations are invited to e-mail their statements to papersmart10@un.org for posting on the portal. Statements should be provided at least *one hour* prior to the scheduled speaking slot and the e-mail subject should include the entity name, meeting name and related agenda item. PDF format is preferred. Delegations are kindly requested to provide 30 hardcopies of the text for the technical services no later than *one hour* before delivery of the statement.

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